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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

A small entity statement was previously submitted in this application.
 A small entity statement is enclosed.
 A filing fee for extra claims does not appear required.
 A filing fee for extra claims is calculated below:

	No. of Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims	Filing Fee	
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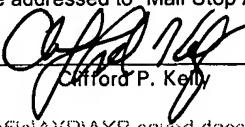
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